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Emergency Preparedness Awareness Training Offered in Sun City West- Resolve to Be *Ready* Now and in 2010

(SUN CITY WEST, AZ), (OCTOBER 28), 2009 - Research on preparedness shows that people who believe themselves to be “prepared” for disasters often aren’t as prepared as they think. Forty percent of survey respondents did not have household plans, 80 percent had not conducted home evacuation drills, and nearly 60 percent did not know their community’s evacuation routes.

The Sun City West Citizen Corps Council and the Fire District of Sun City West wants to help community members get *Ready*. The focus of the “*Are You Ready?*” emergency preparedness awareness training program is to help prepare community members in case there is an emergency or disaster in our community. Whether community members stay in their home or evacuate will depend on the incident but the most important factor either way is that they must be prepared. Having a plan, communicating that plan with family members, preparing an emergency supply kit, and preparing our homes for emergency situations is essential.

Community members can address emergency preparedness by attending the free training offered the first Wednesday of each month starting November 4, 2009 and running through September 2010. The training will be held at the RH Johnson Recreation Center Lecture Hall located at 19803 RH Johnson Blvd. Doors open at 1:30 and the training is being offered from 2:00-3:30 p.m.

Additional dates are:

Dec, 02, 2009
Jan. 06, 2010
Feb. 03, 2010
March 03, 2010

April, 07, 2010
May 05, 2010
June 02, 2010
July 07, 2010

Aug. 04, 2010
Sept. 01, 2010

Becoming more prepared in case of an emergency is easier than you might think. Whether it's your home, your neighborhood, your place of business, or your school, you can take a few simple steps to prepare yourself and your community. For additional information or to request an "Are You Ready?" presentation on emergency preparedness, contact the Sun City West Fire District at (623) 584-3500.

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